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Report Final Council Meeting For Last Year

The last meeting of the town council for the year 1950 was held on December 29th with Deputy Mayor Wilson and Councillors R. Hunter H. Colpoys, M. Murray and F. Michael present.

The council decided to install toilets in the Community Hall.

A letter was read from E. Davis regarding the culverts from Canada Cafe across 5th Avenue and across Crowfoot Street. The matter was discussed and it was decided to leave it for the new council to deal with.

A letter from Cardston regarding their surfaced street was read and discussed. It cost Cardston approximately \$27,000 to pave five blocks. The matter of paving the main street in Gleichen was left to the new public works committee in 1951.

M. Bolinger informed the council he had made application to the M. D. of Bow Valley for inclusion in the M. D. of his 71 acres just east of town. The council agreed to this.

An application had been received from a Mr. Saunders of Strathmore, to solicit orders for shoe repairs in Gleichen. The council granted permission providing Mr. Saunders pay the prescribed fee.

All accounts passed by the finance committee were ordered paid if found to be correct.

It was decided to erect the tower for the new fire siren on the north-east part of old Jun Kee restaurant site behind the telephone office. This new tower is a wind mill tower purchased from Old Sun School some time ago. The height of this tower will put the siren up above the surrounding buildings and should permit the fire alarm to be heard all over town.

The mayor said a few words of farewell to the council and this meeting will in all probability be his last and also wished them the compliments of the season.

Town & District

Mrs. Haskayne who has been ill since around Christmas time is at present in Calgary receiving medical treatment.

Ted Varndell, son of Mrs. Wm. Varndell has joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police as a pilot. He has left for Ottawa where he will remain for a time and will return to Regina for training.

Mrs. Howard Warner has been confined to the Holy Cross hospital for past several days having had her tonsils removed. She expected to return home Monday.

Clifford McLeod a former resident of Gleichen spent a week in town visiting his old school mates. He was accompanied by a friend. Clifford now makes his home at Camrose where he owns a wholesale business dealing in records. His is the only wholesale house in western Canada and he does a big business.

Mrs. Geo. W. Evans has been confined to the Holy Cross hospital in Calgary for the past week receiving treatment to a broken ankle she got last month when she slipped and fell on Crowfoot Street.

Drive safely and save lives. That should be the slogan according officials of the Alberta Motor Association. These days of short periods of daylight, icy highway or street surfaces, skidding hazards, all demand that the careful motorist be more careful, that the reckless driver stay off the roads unless he is prepared to observe the principles of safe driving. The A.M.A. had drawn the attention of the attorney-general's department to the existence of these "highway killers." Now it is felt that these representations need to be repeated. Some are imbued with the desire to hit high speed on the highways, regardless of lurking hazards or the ones they create themselves. The police authorities are urged to be particularly on the alert to require strict observance of traffic laws. Prompt action by the police may be a means of averting accidents with all their dreadful toll.

DON'T LET THIS HAPPEN TO YOU!



Change gears before crossing

AVOID STALLING CHANGE GEARS

This motoring family was lucky enough to escape death of serious injury, but the family sedan is headed for the scrap heap. Stalling of motor vehicles directly in the path of oncoming trains accounted for more than a few of the 443 railway crossing accidents reported to the Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada for the 12-month period ended June 30th. These accidents took 149

lives and brought injuries to 549 others. Common causes of these accidents: Racing the train to the crossing—still too popular and too expensive in lives and limbs—running into the sides of trains because of impaired vision or misjudgement of speed and distance; failing to stop in time. When obliged to take a railway crossing slowly, such as after a full stop, be sure to change into first or second gear to avoid stalling on the tracks.

Eventide Home Extends Thanks

Major and Mrs. A. E. Parkinson and staff—on behalf of the men of Eventide Home—wish to thank all who so kindly sent boxes of comforts during the Christmas season.

Our sincere thanks also goes to those who came to the Home and by music, word and song presented the Christmas Story. Visiting groups included the Young People's Group from Strathmore, the local Lutheran League under Rev. Mr. Mohr and the United Church Choir with Rev. Mr. Morrison. We hope these people will come again.

Rev. Mr. Houghton, the Anglican Rector from Strathmore conducted the meeting on Christmas Sunday afternoon when Corporal and Mrs. Yates provided music. Major M. Little of Edmonton was in charge of the meeting at night and used an illuminated Flannelgraph Board to present the Christmas story.

Major and Mrs. John Steel and family of Calgary conducted special meetings during the New Year week-end, and showed interesting films in the reading room and the hospital.

THE WORLD OF WHEAT

Prairie farmers are considerably disturbed at the announcement made by the Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, before the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Pool delegates at Regina, that the final payment on wheat is likely to be small in cents per bushel and that Britain is satisfied she has fulfilled the terms of the British-Canadian wheat agreement. Personally I am unable to see things in this light. It seems to me there is a definite moral obligation on Britain to make some substantial payment, perhaps spread over several years, to our prairie farmers, on the 400 million dollars our farmers lost, and which Britain saved, on the cheap wheat supplied to her. Our farmers also lost 190 million dollars I figure on the same cheap wheat supplied to the well-off Canadian people during the years of the agreement. Certainly it seems to me the Canadian government should make this up in full. It seems a reasonable demand then for our farmers especially considering the tragic 1950 frost damage to expect a final payment of whatever the Wheat Board treasury has in hand, and in addition around 13 cents a bushel to make up for the cheap wheat supplied to Canadian people, and still further some promise of further payments from Britain.—H. G. Strange.

WEDDINGS

ROBINSON-GOODERHAM

Of wide interest in Gleichen where the bride lived for many years was a recent early afternoon wedding ceremony solemnized in St. Bartholomew's Church in Ottawa, where Miss Elizabeth Anne Gooderham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Gooderham, formerly of Gleichen, became the bride of Mr. H. Basil Oswin Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Robinson of Vancouver.

Rev. A. T. Carson read the marriage service amid an all-white floral setting.

The bride given in marriage by her father, wore an Elizabethan gown of feather white moire. Misting softly over her gown was a chapel veil of illusion tulle, and she carried a prayer book arrayed with baby gardenias and stephanotis.

Miss Joan Winters was the bride's only attendant, and Dr. Geoffrey C. Robinson attended the bridegroom. Ushering the guests were Mr. Victor C. Moore and Mr. G. K. Gooderham. Mrs. A. T. Carson played the traditional nuptial music.

After a reception held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. LaPau, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson left to spend their honeymoon in New York.

Among the out of town guests attending the wedding were the bride's parents from Calgary.

SPARKS-BUTCHER

The marriage of Mr. Ernest Wm. Sparks and Miss Alice Jean Rae Butcher of Bently, Alta., took place recently at the United Church Manse. Rev. W. Morrison officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Blick acted as witnesses.

SOME HOUSE FLIES CAN RESIST DDT

House flies resistant to DDT have been reported in recent years from different parts of Canada and the United States. Scientists, delving into the mysteries of why all flies are not killed by the insecticide, are close to scoring another round for the farmer and the housewife in their annual summer battle against the flies when they recently determined that some flies have the ability to break down DDT into relatively harmless compounds.

Entomologists working in the Canadian Department of Agriculture's division of Entomology at Ottawa collected flies from several regions where resistance to DDT had been reported. After being reared under standard conditions for several generations

cultures of these were subjected to mortality treatments with the insecticide when it was found that some flies have developed a greater degree of resistance to DDT than others. Officials, however, point out that additional studies must be carried out before definite conclusions can be drawn regarding the extent of the occurrence of DDT resistant house flies in Canada.

Considerable research work has been done by workers in the States on how house flies are apparently able to stand up under dosages of DDT which spell sudden death to other flies receiving the same treatment. Based on extensive experiments reported in the annals of the Entomological Society of America, the researchers have come up with the discovery that the resistant flies appear to have the as yet unexplained ability to break down the lethal DDT into less harmful substances before the killer reaches a vital part of the body. The difference between susceptible and resistant strains of house flies is so great in this respect that the scientists consider this to be a main factor in the explanation of why some flies succumb to "DDT jitters" and others survive.

Resistant flies in both the larval and adult stages are able to break down the DDT into what scientists call DDE, a relatively harmless compound. In the adult flies this DDE is reported to be formed in the digestive tract and is liberated into the body

tissues and accumulates for the most part in the surface layers of the fly's body. In the opinion of the scientists in both Canada and the United States the discovery of this apparent faculty that DDT-resistant

flies possess of breaking down powerful insecticide into non-lethal substances is something new, and may aid in explaining the development of resistance to insecticides in other insect pests.

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The Outlook For 1951

MANY COMPLEX FACTORS are involved in successful farming and the quality of the crops, and their value in cash returns to the farmer depend upon these factors. At the annual federal-provincial agricultural conference, held recently in Ottawa, the question of the supply of some of the essential needs of agriculture were discussed by government officials, and farmers were given an indication of what conditions they may expect in the coming year. Special reference was made to the prospects for supplies of farm labor, machinery and fertilizers, all of which are so important to crop production.

Shortage Of Farm Labor

Commenting on the situation in regard to farm labor, Mr. W. W. Dawson, of the federal department of labor, said that there is now little reserve in this field upon which farmers can expect to draw. In his opinion, he stated, between 10,000 and 15,000 immigrant workers will be needed to supply the required amount of farm labor in the coming year. He also indicated that to some extent, the supply of labor would depend upon the ability of the farmer to compete with industry in the matter of wages.

No Surpluses Are Expected

Prices for most fertilizers are expected to be higher in 1951 than they were in the past year because of the increased cost of production and higher freight rates. Because of the needs of defence industries steel is in great demand and shortages of this, and other essential materials are expected to affect the production of farm equipment. On the brighter-side, it was predicted that the strong Canadian demand for food stuffs would help to keep farm prices at high levels, and that there is little chance of there being any agricultural surpluses in this country. It is clear that the farmers will have problems in the matters of the supply labor, essential materials and equipment in the coming year, but the weather, farm prices and many other factors are also involved and the success of the crop will depend upon all of them.

Funny and Otherwise

Harold: "Where are all those old mugs I used to see in your shop?"
Barber: "They have taken to shaving themselves, sir."

"Here's a book," said the agent, "which you can't afford to be without."
"I never read," answered the victim.
"Well, buy it for your children."

"I'm single—I have no family. All I have is a dog."
"Well don't you want a nice heavy book to throw at the dog now and then?"

A man rushed up to the book-maker and placed a \$5 bill on a 20-cent shot. The horse won, and the bookie gave the bettor \$105 in \$5 bills. The man examined every bill, which made the bookmaker angry.

"What's the matter mister? Afraid of counterfeit?"
"No, not at all. I just wanted to make sure the one I gave you wasn't here."

Little Johnny: "Let's play we are married."
Little Tommy: "Can't; ma said we must keep quiet."

"Anyhow, I'm glad the world is filled with sunshine."
"An optimist, eh?"
"No, a straw hat salesman!"

"You are not opaque, are you?" sarcastically asked one man of another who was standing in front of him at the theatre.
"Faith, an Ol'm not," replied the other. "It's O'Brien that Ol am."

"My husband has the strangest hobby," said Mrs. Smith to a friend, "and I never knew anything about it until yesterday. I found in his desk a queer looking ticket inscribed Mudhorse 10 to 1. I asked him what it was and he told me it was a relic of a lost race. Isn't it interesting?"

Mrs. Simkins: "I suppose you've had lots of new dishes since your chef arrived?"
Mrs. Simkins: "Yes, almost a complete new dinner service."

Swagging up to the beautiful blonde at the college prom, the self-adoring young football husky said, "I'm sure you don't need an introduction before you'll dance with me, babe. You know who I am. America's best left tackle?"
"Oh, yes," she answered sweetly. "On the gall-American team?"

Gloria: "Was your uncle's mind vigorous and sane to the last?"
Harold: "I don't know. The will won't be read until tomorrow."

"Philip makes me tired!"
"It's your own fault, Mabel. You should stop running after him."

A Hollywood film star had had five wives, each of whom had promptly divorced him. He was now declaring his love to the prospective sixth.
"But I've heard some queer stories about you," said the girl. "Don't worry about that," replied the star. "They're only old wives' tales."

Teacher: "I don't think it was you who went into the orchard, Tommy, so I won't punish you."
Tommy: "Thank you, sir! And may I keep the apples?"

Christmas Tree Business Growing In Canada

OTTAWA.—The Canadian Christmas tree has grown into a \$2,500,000 seasonal industry.

Canada produced almost 11,000,000 trees in the 1949-50 season, exporting some 7,500,000 of them for the tidy sum of \$2,317,000. The rest went into Canadian homes. The take probably will be larger this Christmas.

This proof that the Christmas tree trade has become big business is contained in a report by the department of Resources and development entitled "The Christmas tree industry in Canada."

It showed that British Columbia produces most trees—2,260,000 in 1949-50—but Nova Scotia exports the most—2,026,000 last season. More and more private land now is going into "plantations" for commercial production of trees.

The report sees this growth of the Christmas tree industry as a good thing, despite "attacks" aimed at the industry from time to time.

New Uranium Find In Sask.

REGINA. — Dr. J. B. Mawdsley, head of the geology department of the University of Saskatchewan, said that a major new uranium source may have been discovered at Charlebois Lake in northern Saskatchewan.

In a preliminary field report Dr. Mawdsley said it is "probable that the Charlebois Lake and adjacent territory constitutes an important addition to Saskatchewan's already notable uranium-bearing areas."

Dr. Mawdsley reported that the Charlebois deposits are uranium-bearing pegmatites and the radioactive mineral is probably uranite, which occurs as cubic crystals, and not pitchblende.

Find Parachute Silk In Tree

EDMONTON.—Discovery of a piece of fabric similar to parachute silk in a tree-top 12 miles northeast of Edson, Alta., is reported by officials of the Northwest Command.

The fabric, colored international orange, was found by John Hipaner of Edmonton while hunting moose in the area.

R.C.A.F. officials said they have no theory of origin of the fabric, but will send a three-man para-rescue team into the region to investigate.

\$5.25 Per Pound Paid For Champion Turkey

MOOSE JAW, Sask.—A top price of \$5.25 per pound was paid for the reserve grand champion dressed turkey at the 13th annual All-Canada Turkey Show sale.

The 15-pound hen-turkey, exhibited by Mrs. V. Zinn, of Tuxford, Saskatchewan, was bought by Canada Packers at Moose Jaw for \$78.15, a Saskatchewan record.

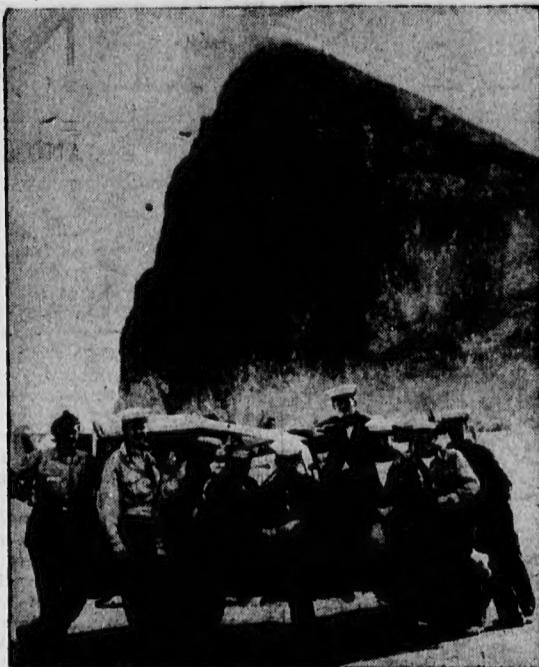
The grand champion dressed chicken, exhibited by J. R. De La Hay of Tuxford, brought \$2.50 per pound.

COYOTE DAMAGE HEAVY IN SASKATCHEWAN

REGINA, Sask.—The Saskatchewan Fish and Game League estimated that coyotes had caused a loss of \$100,000 this year on Saskatchewan farms.

The loss included all types of domestic animals slaughtered by the coyotes.

There were some 100,000 coyotes in Saskatchewan, the league estimated.



POSTCARD FROM GIBRALTAR — There's no mistaking the background in this photo taken of ground crew members of the Royal Canadian Navy's 19th Carrier Air Group on the airfield at Gibraltar. The group's aircraft made use of the airfield facilities during the visit to the fortress of H.M.C. Ships Magnificence, Micmac and Huron. Above, left to right, are: P.O. Harry Adams, Halifax; P.O. Ray Kneebone, Hamilton; P.O. Clinton Thorne, Moncton, N.B.; A.B. John Euloth, Dartmouth, N.S.; P.O. William Beckett, Smith Falls, Ont.; P.O. J. R. Hague, Vancouver; P.O. Frank Aquanno, Toronto; P.O. Donald Tetlock, Regina, and P.O. Stanley Hay, Winnipeg.—Central Press Canadian.

Company To Manufacture Animal Pet Food

SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.—For the past year, the Canadian Co-operative Processors Ltd., with plants at Swift Current and Edmonton has been building up a new phase of their industry—the production of animal pet foods for Canadian and American markets.

The new branch of the industry became a reality in Swift Current, and through the development of this new product for international markets, stabilization of the horse processing industry has been realized. This will replace the former shipment of canned horse meat, will keep 130 employees working between the two plants, and will eventually pay off to the 30,000 shareholders of the Canadian Co-operative Processors Ltd., in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

7,307 Britons Came To Canada In Six Months

LONDON. — During the first six months of 1950, 7,307 Britons emigrated to Canada, 28,620 to Australia, 5,468 to New Zealand and 4,917 to South Africa.

Patrick Gordon-Walker, Commonwealth Relations Secretary, gave the figures in a parliamentary reply.

Last year 20,762 went to Canada, 53,059 to Australia, 9,261 to New Zealand and 15,283 to South Africa.

Color movies date back to 1909.



TAPESTRY FROM FRANCE IS GIFT TO CANADA—Seen at ceremony in which France presented to Canada a magnificent tapestry, depicting 900 square mile area it is proposed to turn into a national district at Ottawa, is Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent and planning director Jacques Greber of France. The gift arose from the fact that Mr. Greber has directed the planning to turn not only Ottawa but adjoining areas of Quebec and Ontario into one beautiful capital area.—Central Press Canadian.

THE TILLERS



Alberta's Prairie Poet

By KEN LIDDELL
(CPC Correspondent)

What Robert W. Service did for the sordidness of the north is being done today for the pioneers of southern Alberta by a friendly, quiet-spoken man who got there in time to see the end of the open range and to help build the fenced-in west.

When he sits down with his pen and poetic mind, his words are tough and it's a direct contrast to the A. L. (Scotty) Freebairn that you meet behind the counter of his ladies' wear shop in Pincher Creek.

Where Service retired on his laurels, Freebairn keeps busy. In his latest book, "Kootenai Brown and Other Western Poems", he has put in verse the story of opening of southern Alberta.

And it's the story of life in any man's language, too, even to his recollections of Charcoal, or Op-o-wan (Bad Young Man) who was hanged at Macleod, Alta., in 1908 and of whom Freebairn recorded:

"It seems a buck called Charcoal Found another with his squaw, So he laughed at white man's justice, And invoked the Indian law. With a thirty-three rifle He shot him through the head, And left the squaw ki-yi-ing For a lover that was dead."

Freebairn came from Scotland in 1839 when he was 18, to join his father, who had left home when the son was a year old. The father preceded the railway across Canada, building shacks for the telegraphers. They went to Pincher Creek, where Scotty Freebairn was a cowboy, druggist's apprentice, then in

the general store business, because somebody told them it was going to be bigger than Calgary.

It never grew to that size, of course, but Freebairn figured he'd gained more than he lost because he has recorded:

"I'm tired of the sights and the city's bright lights, I long for the peace of the range, The spell of the mountains, majestic and grand, The nights that are awesome and strange; The men who will smile, as they cuss you the while, In a language no preacher employs, You can take it from me, that I'd sure like to be On the range with the old Waldron boys."

To be an old-timer in Pincher Creek you have to be just that. The town's Old Timers' association was organized in 1908 and its present presidency is a tribute to Freebairn.

Like his old friends, Freebairn has entertained no thought of leaving. And what he wrote of a man he knew well, Kootenai Brown, a British army officer reputed to have been the first white man to settle in what is now southern Alberta, applies to most of them:

"Until at last his day was past, His life on earth was o'er— They buried him, to please his whim, Beside the old lake shore. Now 'neath a mound and hallowed ground Old Kootenai lies at rest, Besides the creeks and mountain peaks He long had loved the best."



"SCOTTY" FREEBAIRN

Santa Talks Her Language

DAYTON, O.—Only persons who don't believe there is a Santa Claus need read on.

Three-year-old Margery Bidstrup obviously was frightened by the bustling court-like setup Santa had in the gaily-decorated department store. Mrs. Henry Bidstrup was having no luck comforting her daughter.

Margery watched the line of children file up to see Santa—and sobbed.

Finally, her mother leaned down and whispered in tones easily heard by Santa.

Quick as a reindeer's wink, Santa beckoned to the damp-eyed little girl: "Kommst du heir, kliene maedchen."

Margery's sobs stopped. Her eyes widened. And in half a reindeer's wink, she was in his lap. A few moments conversation, and Margery rattled off her Christmas list:

"En weihnachtsbaum (she just couldn't remember Christmas tree) . . . a plate . . . and a skillet?"

She was all smiles as she waved farewell to her new-found friend. "Aufwiedersehn," he called out with a jolly wink.

Margery winked back. "So different from last Christmas in Kiel, Germany," said Mrs. Bidstrup.

LARGE MONKEY

The proboscis monkey is a large monkey found chiefly in Berneo. Its nose is very long, especially in the old males, and is mobile and retractable.

ESTABLISHED IN 1882

The first railway mail service in the west was established over the Winnipeg-Brandon line in 1882.

Stork Is Busy, Cupid On Holiday

OTTAWA.—Cupid took a holiday in the first nine months of this year, but not the stork. The bureau of statistics reported births totaled 268,090, highest in three years. There were 266,048 births in the corresponding 1949 period. Marriages totaled 88,218, compared with 91,236. Deaths were 90,831 compared with 89,750.

CANADIAN APPLES FOR U.K.

LONDON.—Britain has contracted to buy 1,300,000 cases of Canadian apples during the present season, Food Minister Maurice Webb said recently.



—By Les Carroll

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

THE TEMPTRESS

By WALTER E. KLEIN

Jeanie Burned. Just Wait Until She Had Her Sister Alone.

"I KNOW he loves me," Jeanie cried tearfully. "But he's too bashful to do anything about it."

"You'll have to do something about it yourself," Ellen said calmly, staring over the top of her compact at her agitated young sister. Ellen knew what to do. She was a career woman, with no intention of settling down. Jeanie had just graduated, was perfectly willing to settle down—with the right man. Naturally she turned to her older sister for advice.

Ellen chuckled. "You're not fooling me, kid. You're as bad as he is—worse. I've watched you sitting on the sofa. You shrink into a corner, and glare at the guy. No wonder he's scared of you. You've got to meet him half way—and, if that won't do it, a little more than half way."

Jeanie sighed. "But what can I do?"

Ellen smiled. "Leave him to me. I'll fix things up. But good."

"There he is now," cried Jeanie, fuffing her hair.

Said Ellen, "Wait till I call you." She ran lightly downstairs. Jeanie could hear the door open, and then . . . She listened incredulously.

"Why, hello, Waldo, Ellen was saying in sugary tones. 'Ooooooh, flowers! For me?'"

Waldo's reply was indistinguishable; only a series of stammering, reached Jeanie. She peeked down. Ellen was leading a blushing young man into the living room. Jeanie flew down and stood outside the door, breathless with amazement.

Rustling sounds, and then her sister's voice: "Jeanie has been monopolizing you. But how sweet to think of roses; they're my favorite flower."

Choking sounds. "But, but . . . Where's Jeanie?"

"She isn't here right now. It'll give us a chance for a nice chat. The family went to a movie."

"But I thought Jeanie . . .?"

"Don't worry about her. It's all right, you can sit on the sofa with me. I won't bite you."

Springs creaked. Jeanie bit her lip. As if Ellen didn't have men of her own.

"So many men do nothing but talk. But you're different. There's more to you than meets the eye. Something mysterious and romantic."

"Oh, no!" Waldo's voice intruded. "Really I'm not. Uh, I can't understand why Jeanie isn't here. She said she'd . . ."

"I like romantic men," Ellen said seductively. "Sit a little closer; we won't have to talk so loud."

Jeanie leaned weakly against the wall. Nothing but a wolf in feminine clothing. And Waldo was no better! Her foot tapped soundlessly on the carpet.

"I know . . . but Jeanie . . ."

Sol! He remembered her after all. "Stop worrying about Jeanie! She's just a kid."

"Oh, no!" Waldo protested. "I think she's very nice."

Jeanie burned. Just a kid was she? Just wait until she had her sister alone.

"Oh! Sure . . . I guess. Sure I do."

Jeanie restrained herself, wondering just how far Ellen would dare to go.

"Well," said Ellen. "If you won't come closer to me, I'll come to you." The springs creaked again, louder.

Jeanie bit her fingers. "Hey! You shouldn't . . ." Waldo's voice protested.

"I told you there wasn't anyone at home. Stop worrying. I'll bet you're just a devil with the girls. That's why you won't have anything to do with me. You're used to more sophisticated women."

"No, I'm not," Waldo squeaked.

"Don't kid me. There, that's it, relax. Isn't that nice?"

There was a limit to what a girl could take. Jeanie exploded into the room. Beside Waldo on the sofa, Ellen was shaking with silent laughter.

"You, you, you . . . cried Jeanie.

"Jeanie!" said Waldo, blushing furiously. "Where did you come from?"

"From the hall; where do you think?" Jeanie said coldly. She turned to her sister. "You vamp, you!" she cried. "Take my boy friend away from me, will you!"

"Jeanie!" Waldo cried.

"Shut up, you're no better than she is," Jeanie said.

"Me? I didn't do anything," Waldo protested. "She lured me in here."

"You liked it!"

"I did not."

"No, he didn't," Ellen said, still laughing. "It's the first time a man ever had to fight me off. He's okay, sis. You both needed some help, and I gave it to you. And you see, you finally got up enough nerve to fight for your love."

Jeanie blushed as red as Waldo. They looked at one another.

As Ellen, still laughing, very discreetly left the room, she heard the sofa creaking behind her.

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ODDITIES IN THE NEWS

George Astles, a gardener of Stafford, England, produced a freak chrysanthemum. The bloom is divided down the centre, one side white, the other red.

The village of Thistleton, Rutland, England, with a population of 100, has had no funerals for four years, and no weddings for two years.

D. L. Grizzle, a taxi driver of Dallas, Tex., felt like a million dollars. Somebody gave him a cheque for \$1,000 for a tip. It was good. Two men asked him to take them to Temple, 130 miles away. One of the men wanted to find his girl and ask her to marry him. The man went into the farm home and came out in a few minutes, all smiles. To Grizzle, he said: "I'm going to give you \$1,000." He wrote out the cheque.

Mrs. Mary Olive Hornbeck of Los Angeles was granted a divorce on testimony that her husband was a "wicked man who married me for my money." Mrs. Hornbeck is 81. Hornbeck is 99. They eloped in 1940.

A letter to the edition of a London newspaper complained: "Before the war I used to wonder which suit to buy at Christmas. Now I wonder at which Christmas to buy a suit."

A thief ran foot loose and fancy free in the Mutual Building and Loan building at Charlotte, N.C. He broke into six offices. But he didn't take anything. The police wonder whether he was just practicing.

Frogmen Get Tough Training



Weirdly garbed "frogmen" of the U.S. navy's underwater demolition team land in a simulated attack on Treasure Island in San Francisco bay after a half-mile swim through the icy waters. James M. Cobble, (left), of Fort Worth, Tex., and Albert A. Lee of Port Arthur, Tex., are among 64 men remaining of 180 who began a rigid training program six weeks ago.—Central Press Canadian.

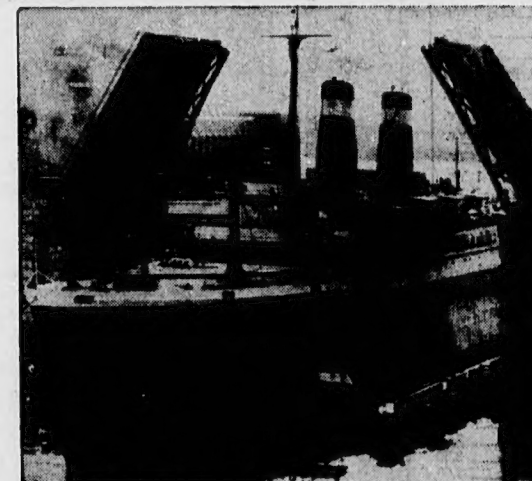


WINTERS IN TORONTO—Most people spend their winter in Florida. That is everybody who is anybody. But not Barbara Ann Scott, Canada's world and Olympic skating champion, who has deserted her native Ottawa to reside in Toronto for the winter. Her reasons? The first is she wants to be near her friend and trainer, Seldon Galbraith, who was with her when she won fame and who is now instructing her again. The second is use of two skating rinks available to her (the Minto club in Ottawa was burned down last year). As to her plans for the future, B.A. would like to return to England, where she has just concluded a successful tour.

NEW PRESIDENT

CALGARY—Henry Young of Millet was elected president of the Farmers' Union of Alberta. He succeeds Carl J. Stimpfle of Edmonton who had headed the powerful farm organization since 1949.

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BIGGEST BUILT IN DECADE IN U.S.—The \$25,000,000 super-liner S.S. Independence is shown leaving the Quincy, Mass., shipyard where she was built for her first trial run off Cape Cod. The U.S. maritime commission will operate the 25-knot super-liner, the largest vessel built in the United States in the last 10 years.—Central Press Canadian.

PEGGY



WESTERN BRIEFS

Busy Cupid

CHURCHILL, Man.—The matrimony rate is high among nursing sisters at Fort Churchill's military hospital. Two nurses became engaged in the same week recently, while six or seven left the hospital to be married in the last year.

Small Comfort

MOOSE JAW, Sask.—Mattresses have been installed in the women's section of the local police cells. But male prisoners will still have to sleep on hard iron cots.

Big Plywood Order

VANCOUVER.—British Columbia plywood manufacturers reported an order for 15,000,000 square feet from Britain, to be shipped in 1951. Price of the plywood varies from \$100 to \$300 per 1,000 square feet. The total order will amount to about \$3,000,000.

Fluorinating Water?

SASKATOON.—A civic committee has been established to study the possibilities of fluorinating Saskatoon's water supply. The dental profession is represented in the group.

Rookie Of The Year

CALGARY.—Gordon Brown, 21-year-old Calgary Stampeder guard, was named rookie of the year in the Western Canada Interprovincial Football Union.

No Halt To Road

REGINA.—Hon. J. T. Douglas, highways minister, said it is unlikely that work on the trans-Canada highway will be curtailed because of the current international tension.

Open Membership

HIGH RIVER, Alta.—Because their numbers are dwindling, the High River Pioneers and Old-Timers association voted to open membership to sons and daughters of pioneers.

Something New

REGINA.—In 1951, for the first time, Saskatchewan car licence plates will bear a slogan—"Wheat Province".

Approves Open Season

RED DEER, Alta.—The Red Deer Fish and Game association approves an open season for female deer, elk and moose. Herds, now depleted badly, might be restored by shooting fewer male animals.

Country Fairs Losing Out

SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.—Saskatchewan country fairs are "losing out" because their prize lists are obsolete, says L. H. Hutchison of the provincial agriculture department. "There are still many prizes for heavy draft horses, but hardly any for light horses," he remarked.

Woman Keeps Wheels Turning

GOLDEN, B.C.—A woman keeps the wheels turning in the British Columbia Power Commission's plant here. She is Nora B. Lee, now full time plant operator here—an unusual job for a woman. Miss Lee was a pony guide and hunter before she came here.

Half Million For Pelts

VANCOUVER.—Buyers paid about \$500,000 for 4,500 mink pelts at auctions recently by Western Canadian Raw Fur Auction Sales. More than 100 fur firms were represented. Standard mink brought up to \$31 per skin; the light blue "breath of spring", most-wanted color these days, up to \$40.

Refugee Buys Saskatchewan Farm

HALIFAX.—A former Czechoslovakian consul-general who plans to be an insurance agent in Montreal and a Hungarian civil engineer who has bought a farm in Saskatchewan are among 1,200 persons en route by train for new homes in various parts of Canada after disembarking from the liners Neptunia and Ascania.

Frantisek Sevcik was a consul-general to France when the Communists seized Czechoslovakia in 1948. He resigned and remained there rather than return to his country. He hopes to get a job as insurance agent.

Frank Horczegh escaped to Paris before the Reds took over his homeland. He has since worked at designing power developments and architecture but is headed for a farm at Livelong, Sask.



—Central Press Canadian.

WON BY SHEER ABILITY—With a shorn sheep much in evidence, Bobby Wilson, 19, of Sugar Grove, N.C., is shown shaking hands with Elmer Latt, 50, (right), of Rockford, Ill., at the 51st International Livestock Show in Chicago. Wilson won the 4-H shearing title when he stripped away the wool in four minutes and 59 seconds. Latt retained his professional shearing title by finishing in two minutes 20 seconds.

Feed Grain Subsidy Likely To Remain

—Until July 31

OTTAWA.—A government official said the federal subsidy on the movement of western feed grains will in all likelihood be continued until at least July 31 next.

Fears have been expressed by farm groups across the country, including the 400,000-member Canadian Federation of Agriculture that the subsidy, first started in 1941, would be ditched in the government's current economy drive.

The official said that although funds have been set aside for the payment of subsidies to March 31 only, it is expected that supplementary estimates will be passed at the next session of parliament to continue the payment until the end of the 1950-51 crop year. The crop year ends July 31.

What comes after that will depend on conditions which prevail then and on the recommendations of the royal transportation commission, which is expected to report to the government next spring on its Canadian transportation investigation.

The official said the commission may find that Canadian railway rates on the movement of feed grains are too high. And, of course, if the decision is taken, to lower the rates, then the subsidies likely will be withdrawn.

Generally, the subsidy is about \$6 a ton on the shipment by rail of western feed grains to central Canada. The subsidy goes up about \$3 a ton on shipments to points east of Montreal. The subsidy also is paid on shipments of feed grains from Calgary and Edmonton to the Pacific coast and comes to about \$6.40 a ton. (At \$6 a ton, the subsidy works out to approximately 9 cents a bushel for oats and 13 cents for barley.) So far, the government has paid out about \$147,600,000 since the subsidies were started in 1941. Another \$5,000,000 likely will be paid before March 31 next.

Wolves Attacking Manitoba Sheep

ERICKSON, Man.—Reports of wolves attacking sheep came recently from district farmers.

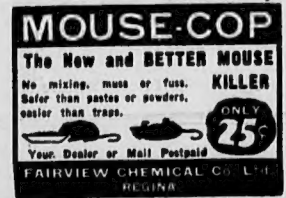
T. Lee reported 18 carcasses of sheep from his flock were found in his pasture.

He shot one wolf, believed to have come down from Riding Mountain national park. A second farmer has trapped several. Erickson is about 50 miles north of Brandon, Man.

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Canada's legislatures federal and provincial, are required by law to convene at least once every twelve months. In employer and employee contributions to social security and pension funds Canadians paid their government \$241 million last year. Canada's 1950 sugar beet harvest is expected to be over one million tons, largest in history. The BNA act assigns sixteen classes of subjects to provincial authority, twenty-nine to federal authority.

HERE AND THERE

In common with a lot of other people the entire staff of The Call was laid up with a dandy attack of the flu for more than three weeks.

Leo Woods, Babe MacArthur and George Suter returned last week from Victoria and Vancouver where they went shortly before Christmas to spend the holiday season. In passing through Vancouver they picked up Denny Woods and went over to Vancouver Island to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Kier. Mrs. Kier is sister to Denny and Leo Woods. While on the island Scotty showed the Gleichen boys the sights in Victoria. While there they called on Harry Carreck and other former Gleichenites living there. After spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Kier they returned to Vancouver. In Vancouver Denny showed them the sights and he took them through the Vancouver Daily Province building where he works. One day they were passing the Province building when they saw fire hose on the street they then notice the fire raging there. No sooner did the boys arrive home then they rolled up their sleeves and got into the Gleichen playoff for the MacDonald Brier curling emblematic of the curling championship for Canada.

Extreme care in night driving to avoid accidents is urged by officials.

Statistics show that in relation to the number of cars on the road, there are more accidents between dusk and dawn. Unlike animals, motorists cannot see in the dark and should not "overdrive" car headlights. Even if your headlights are in good condition, there will be times when you will be unable to see clearly more than 100 feet ahead. A car with good brakes travelling 40 miles an hour cannot be stopped in less than 115 feet under ideal conditions. This is too late to avert a crash. If your car is skidding, don't jam on the brake. Turn the steering wheel in the same direction as the rear of the car is skidding and step on the gas. Don't throw out your clutch. For example if the rear end starts to skid toward the curb, immediately steer the car toward the curb. One large insurance company, which has more claims in winter than in the height of the summer traffic, found that in every instance the chief contributing cause was going too fast for such a road, though the drivers said it was "icy road conditions."

New Hospital Will Fill Need

A dream in brick and concrete, tile and glass will come true March 3rd when the new Alberta Red Cross Crippled Children's Hospital in Calgary formally opens its doors to Alberta's crippled children.

For 12 years, ever since the present hospital was found to be too small the men and women of Alberta have envisioned an adequate hospital for their crippled youngsters. The new red brick building standing on the highest hilltop in Calgary is the result of their work and courage, for they have given nearly one million dollars to its construction.

In modern style, and employing all the modern tricks of capturing the most air and sunlight, the new four-floor hospital is shaped like an enormous "V" with wide-spread and welcoming arms.

It is built on land donated tax free by the City of Calgary, which has been home of the Red Cross work for crippled children since 1922. This spring the grounds will be landscaped

and seeded, to give the children even more beautiful surroundings.

The new hospital will officially accommodate 110 patients, with room for 20 more in emergency. Medical treatment is given for club foot, tubercular bone conditions, osteomyelitis convalescence and deformities from infantile paralysis, congenital dislocation of the hip, mal-united fractures and contractions following burns, sarcoma, colic disease, spinal curvatures, spastic haemiplegia and spina bifida.

Children from all over Alberta, Northwest Territories and Peace River Block, whose parents cannot afford prolonged orthopaedic care, are welcomed to the hospital. For those who do not need hospitalization, there is the Out-Patients' Clinic where parents are instructed to care for the child, and where needed braces and splints are fitted. More than 7000 children have been treated so far at the hospital.

Every angle has been considered in the inside equipping and decorating of the hospital. Pastel walls and acoustic tile ceilings take the place of the old-time hospital white. The wards are furnished for the convenience and comfort of both patients and nurses; the school rooms are equipped for comfortable study; the handicraft rooms and the gymnasium are based on functional design.

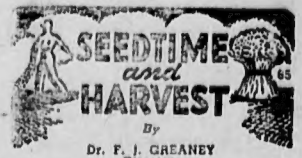
From the modern kitchens on the ground floor to the sterile and completely equipped operating rooms on the second floor and the open solarium on the roof, the new Alberta Red Cross Crippled Children's hospital is indeed a dream hospital.

Visitors who wish to tour the new structure are welcome at all times for it is Alberta's hospital with one object in mind, to make the "lame to walk" among Alberta's children.

About 70 percent of the world's supply of asbestos comes from southern Quebec.

In an average week in 1950 motor accidents killed 44 Canadians and injured 843.

There are nearly 100 daily newspapers in Canada, with a total circulation of more than 3,000,000 copies and total circulation of weekly and monthly publications is even larger.



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The past year, with its great disappointments and failures, has emphasized once again that Mother Nature is an unrelenting foe, a hard task-maker. When disturbed, she launches destructive counter-attacks against all man-made defenses. So it was in 1950.

Only through courage, energy and ability, combined with the patient and efficient labours of the agricultural scientist, can the western farmer hope to triumph over Nature's evil moods — drought, heat, frost, and the ever-present plant-destroying rusts, blights and insects. These enemies menace our grain crops year after year. Yes, to make these prairie lands of ours yield each year the millions of bushels of grain that are required to fill the world's empty breadbasket, requires spirit, perseverance, hard work and "Faith in the Future."

Nature, on the other hand, has endowed Western Canada with millions of acres of fertile soil — the greatest of all our natural resources. But even here there are strings attached to Nature's generosity. She demands that man protect and maintain the fertility of his agricultural lands.

The tense international situation now prevailing emphasizes the importance of having the nation's agricultural economy in first-rate condition. Maintaining the fertility of our prairie soils is vital. It is, in fact, the cornerstone of successful crop production. If it is maintained by wise conservation measures it will remain — a constant source of wealth. Science again has given us the knowledge and the tools with which to do the job. Are we making the best use of them? If we rob, destroy, or misuse our soils, we set the stage for our own destruction. In these difficult times, let us all remember that in protecting our prairie soils we are protecting the future welfare of Canada.



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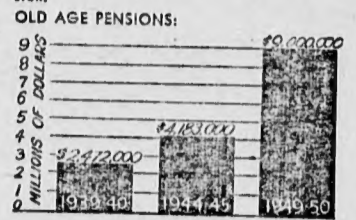
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